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NOTES AND NEWS

THE late Professor His, of Leipzig, conceived the idea of establishing in each country a central institute which should have for its chief aim the organization and the coordination of biological research in its own territory, and serve as a means of cooperation with similar institutions in other countries. In other words, his far-reaching scheme implied the establishment of a regular organized army to attack the problems of living matter, which are being assailed at present only by the wasteful methods of guerilla warfare. During the last decade this proposal has been put to a practical test in the United States and Europe (excepting Great Britain) by the establishment, or the recognition, of certain institutions as centers for coordinating researches upon the brain, under the direction of the "Brain Commission" of the International Association of Academies. The success already attained in this domain of biology has encouraged others to follow in the footsteps of the neurologists. During

Whit-week a conference was held in the zoological laboratory of the University of Utrecht for the purpose of founding an International Embryological Institute. Austria, Belgium, England, France, Germany, and Holland were represented at the meeting by workers in the domain of vertebrate embryology; and letters were received from Switzerland and the United States in support of the scheme adumbrated by the conveners of the meeting. Professor R. Bonnet, of Bonn, was elected first president of the institute, and it was decided that the first aims of the new institution should be (1) the collection of complete series of well-preserved embryos of every mammalian order, and (2) a more intimate cooperation between embryologists, for the purpose of attaining a uniformity in nomenclature and the solution of the special difficulties in this field of investigation—*Nature.*

THE Sarah Berliner Research Fellowship for Women (an annual fellowship of $1,000 "open to women holding the degree of doctor of philosophy or to those similarly equipped," and "available for study and research in physics, chemistry, or biology") and the biennial prize of $1,000 offered by the Naples Table Association ("for the best thesis written by a woman, on a scientific subject, embodying new observations and new conclusions based on an independent laboratory research in biological, chemical, or physical science") are open to workers in psychology. Applications for the exact conditions should be made to Mrs. C. L. Franklin, chairman of the Sarah Berliner committee, 527 Cathedral Parkway, New York, or to Dr. Jane Welch, Baltimore, Maryland, of the Naples Table Association.

PRESIDENT TAFT, upon recommendation of the secretary of the interior, has forwarded to the senate the nomination of Professor Philander P. Claxton, professor of education in the University of Tennessee, as commissioner of education to succeed Dr. Elmer E. Brown, who recently resigned to accept the chancellorship of New York University.

FRANK A. MANNY, of the education and extension departments of the Western State Normal School, Kalamazoo, Mich., has been appointed director of the training of teachers in the city of Baltimore.

PROFESSOR JOSIAH ROYCE has received the honorary degrees of doctor of letters from Harvard University and of doctor of laws from Yale University.

DR. KNIGHT DUNLAP, associate in psychology at the Johns Hopkins University, has been appointed associate professor.

DR. EDWARD L. SCHAUB, of Cornell University, has been appointed assistant professor of philosophy at the Queens University, Kingston, Canada.

PROFESSOR M. A. CALDWELL, of Ursinus College, has been appointed professor of philosophy at the University of Louisville.

MR. ARTHUR U. POPE, of Brown University, has been appointed assistant professor of philosophy at the University of California.

PROFESSOR ERNST MEUMANN, of the University of Leipzig, has been called to the Kolonialinstitut in Hamburg.